

Escalon Unified School District

Board of Education

November 02, 2021; 7:00 PM

Location: District Office

Minutes

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM:

Present:

Nicholas Caton

John Largent

Kate Powell

Janai Stanton

Richard Thompson

Absent:

Sarah Bava

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM

2. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

3. CLOSED SESSION

3.1. Call closed session to order

3.2. Discuss employment/discipline/release/acceptance of retirement/resignation/appointment or replacement of district employees

3.3. Conference with Superintendent and District Negotiator regarding negotiations

3.4. Adjourn closed session

4. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

Minutes:

7:00pm

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

Recited

6. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:
No Report

7. ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

Minutes:
None

8. REPORTS

8.1. Escalon High School Board Representative

Minutes:
No Report

9. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

Minutes:
Superintendent Costa gave board President John Largent, and board Vice President Nick Caton correspondence from the Trinity Church.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:
Superintendent Costa reported the Escalon High School Volleyball team has a home playoff game tonight. If the team wins, they will be in the section finals taking place on Saturday, November 6, 2021.

Administrators Joel Johannsen, Jason Furtado, and Gustavo Arzac have been asked to participate as committee members to develop a possible plan for an independent study program for the next school year. A parent survey will take place to determine what parents are looking for should the COVID-19 vaccination mandate take effect.

CSEA is sun shining their openers on tonight's agenda. The first negotiations session is scheduled for tomorrow, November 3, 2021 at 8:30am. There are three scheduled negotiations sessions, and the hope is to conclude negotiations by the end of the third session.

There is no school on Thursday, November 11, 2021 in honor of Veteran's day.

11. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

Minutes:

George Megenney, Principal of Collegeville and Farmington Elementary reported both of his sites conducted SDRT's, and addressed academic concerns. Kevin Bracey was the speaker at an assembly for both sites, and was a hit. Lock down drills have been conducted at both sites. Grocery day continues at Collegeville.

Julio Zambrano, Principal of Van Allen Elementary reported the Harvest Festival at his site was a success. The SST team had 9 back to back meetings. Kevin Bracey was the speaker at Van Allen today. The first Success on Saturday has 11 students.

Anthony Varni, Principal of Dent Elementary reported his site has 36 students signed up for Success on Saturday. Dent is working on plans for extended learning after school. Family Math Night had 100 participants. Red Ribbon week was a success.

Joel Johannsen, Principal of Gateway Charter Academy reported his site had a WASC virtual visit. Second round of Monday classes have taken place. High school students are working with students for extra credit.

Mark Vos, Principal of El Portal Middle School conducted SDRT's, addressing academic issues. He thanked Mike Gaston, Assistant Principal for his efforts in the process. Red Ribbon week had dress up days, and was a success. Students were creative and respectful.

Eric Simoni, Principal of Escalon High School reported dress up days for Red Ribbon week were a success. Staff members dressed up as Disney villains for Halloween. Cross Country is taking place on Saturday, November 6, 2021, and winter sports are underway.

Gustavo Arzac, Principal of Vista High School reported his site held workshops for College & Career Readiness.

The US Marines presented today, and US Army will be presenting November 19, 2021 to Vista High School students.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

Danelle Hagen addressed the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees during Public Comments with her concerns regarding the COVID-19 vaccine mandate. She presented resolutions from other school districts putting a stop to the vaccine mandate. She's asking Escalon Unified School District to do the same. She is asking the board to use the sample resolutions and put one on the November 16, 2021 board meeting, or call a Special Board meeting to address the issue. She's asking the district to help her help her kids.

Diana Trejo addressed the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees during Public Comments with her concerns with the COVID-10 vaccine mandate. She is asking EUSD to join other districts who are pushing back against the mandate. She is asking that the board put the issue on an upcoming agenda.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Kate Powell and a second by Janai Stanton .

Yes Nicholas Caton
Yes John Largent
Yes Kate Powell
Yes Janai Stanton
Yes Richard Thompson

13.1. Approval of Minutes, October 19, 2021

13.2. Retirements/Resignations

13.2.1. Steven Largent, 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach, El Portal Middle School, effective immediately

13.3. Request to Hire/Change Status

13.3.1. Jose Lopez, Custodian/Other Duties, Escalon High School, effective 11/03/2021

13.4. Approval of School Site plans/Safety Plans

13.4.1. Gateway Charter Academy 2021-22 Safety Plan

13.4.2. Dent Elementary 2021-22 School Plan for Student Achievement

13.4.3. Dent Elementary 2021-22 Safety Plan

13.4.4. Van Allen Elementary 2021-22 School Plan for Student Achievement

13.4.5. Van Allen Elementary 2021-22 Safety Plan

13.4.6. El Portal Middle School 2021-22 School Plan for Student Achievement

13.4.7. El Portal Middle School 2021-22 Safety Plan

13.4.8. Escalon High School 2021-22 School Plan for Student Achievement

13.4.9. Escalon High School 2021-22 Safety Plan

13.4.10. Vista High School 2021-22 School Plan for Student Achievement

13.4.11. Vista High School 2021-22 Safety Plan

14. ACTION ITEMS

14.1. Consider Approval of Entering into a Contract with Modesto Executive Electric to Provide the Infrastructure for Electric Bus Chargers

Motion Passed: The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Enter into a Contract with Modesto

Executive Electric to Provide the Infrastructure Necessary for the Charging Stations for the Electric Buses. Passed with a motion by Richard Thompson and a second by Nicholas Caton.

Yes Nicholas Caton
Yes John Largent
Yes Kate Powell
Yes Janai Stanton
Yes Richard Thompson

14.2. Consider Approval of Donation Made to Dent Elementary

Motion Passed: The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Approve Donation Made to Dent Elementary Passed with a motion by Kate Powell and a second by Richard Thompson.

Yes Nicholas Caton
Yes John Largent
Yes Kate Powell
Yes Janai Stanton
Yes Richard Thompson

14.3. Consider Approval of Escalon High School Industrial Surplus Items

Motion Passed: The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Approve the Escalon High School Industrial Items For Surplus. Passed with a motion by Kate Powell and a second by Janai Stanton .

Yes Nicholas Caton
Yes John Largent
Yes Kate Powell
Yes Janai Stanton
Yes Richard Thompson

14.4. Consider Approval Of Escalon High School Curriculum Materials For Surplus

Motion Passed: The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Approve the Escalon High School Curriculum Materials For Surplus Passed with a motion by Janai Stanton and a second by Kate Powell.

Yes Nicholas Caton
Yes John Largent
Yes Kate Powell
Yes Janai Stanton
Yes Richard Thompson

14.5. Consider Approval of Board Policy Revisions

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Nicholas Caton and a second by Janai Stanton .

Yes Nicholas Caton
Yes John Largent
Yes Kate Powell
Yes Janai Stanton
Yes Richard Thompson

15. INFORMATION

15.1. Escalon Unified School District Sunshine Proposal for Negotiations with CSEA Chapter #345 for 2021-2022

15.2. CSEA Chapter #345 Sunshine Proposal for Negotiations with Escalon Unified School District for 2021-2022

15.3. Present for Review Curriculum for Consideration of Adoption for EHS AP Spanish Program

16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Minutes:

Richard Thompson asked the Board of Trustees to go back into closed session.

17. ANNOUNCEMENTS

17.1. November

17.2. December

18. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

Adjourned: 7:35pm into closed session

Adjourned closed session: 8:17pm